

## SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes, March 4, 2020

Members present: Susan Alling, Sara Beery, Jeannine Tarrant, Prudence Carter, Sheila Conroy, Art Quintana

Excused: Jack Belchinsky,

Guests: Michele Waite; City Council Liaison Marcia Martin; Danica Powell; Julie Hauser; David Rojas

Jeannine called meeting to order.

**Susan moved, Prudence seconded, that the February 5, 2020 minutes be approved. Passed.**

### **Presentations:**

- A. Danica Powell, on behalf of the Home Wanted initiative, a coalition of 9 local communities, spoke and showed a video about creating options for affordable housing in Boulder County, and requested feedback from the Board.

[insert her video here]

**Motion: Jeanine moved, Prudence seconded, that the Board ask city staff to research and advocate for removing the 10-year residence requirement from the homestead exemption law, because of the barrier this creates for downsizing Seniors to claim the exemption. Passed unanimously.**

- B. David Rojas, a consultant from CSU who works with Longmont Climate Action, presented a video about potential transportation initiatives to reduce pollution. He will send a survey to the Board by email.

[insert video here]

### **Old Business:**

1. **Susan moved, Sheila seconded that the draft Annual Report be approved and forwarded to Council. Passed.**
2. Foot Care RFP is in process.
3. Discussion of response to questions about sensitivity in marketing extended travel.
4. Review of revised protocols. Plan is to standardize these for senior service staffs county wide.
5. Discussion of problems in accessing city services (e.g. utility accounts) experienced by caregivers and fiduciaries for persons with dementia. Action on this was tabled for 2 months.

#### **New Business:**

1. Board consensus that we do not need to utilize the city's recommended unique email network for Boards and Commissions.
2. Michele will provide Board with parliamentary procedure book and city protocol for handling press contacts.

#### **Reports:**

1. Michele Waite: new custodian; interviews for third resource specialist; Board calls to newcomers; Council attention to needs of seniors at retreat.
2. Area Aging Council
3. Friends
4. Latino Coalition (May 2 Cinco de Mayo celebration)
5. Sustainability

Adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Submitted by Sara Beery